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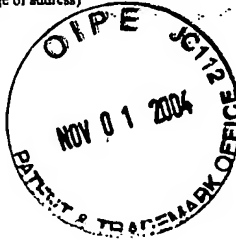
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TITLE OF INVENTION: MAGNETORESISTIVE ELEMENT, MAGNETIC HEAD, MAGNETIC MEMORY AND MAGNETIC RECORDING APPARATUS USING THE SAME.

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